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Food and Drug Administration
5600 Fisher's Lane
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Dear Ms or Sir,

I am increasingly concerned about the health risks incurred from eating pesticide and herbicide laden foods. I am aware that your department has done work to improve the safety of domestically grown products, but I understand there is a different set of rules for imported foods, especially from Mexico, from which we import a tremendous amount of fresh produce.

I do not understand why the same standards would not be upheld in regard to any product which is put on the market for the American consumer. The health of our people is more important than the feared financial risk. Believe me, these countries need our markets every bit as much as we need theirs.

It seems to me that the FDA has a responsibility to protect the American consumer from poisonous or possible cancer-producing substances, and Mexico or any other country which wishes to do business with us, must abide by our standards.

I would appreciate a reply in which this policy is explained. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Janet White

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FROM: JANET WHITE

**SYNOPSIS: EXPRESSES CONCERN ABOUT THE HEALTH RISKS INCURRED FROM EATING
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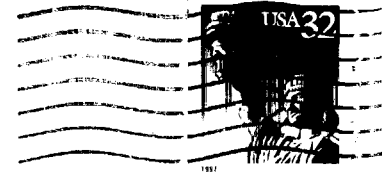
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